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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: KANDAHAR CEMENT

FOR: C. FLOYD

FULLER CO. WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE IF EMBASSY COULD ASSIST IN PASSING FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO MINISTER OF MINES AND INDUSTRIES ASSIFI, WITH COPY TO MR. J. GIVENS, FISHBACH OMAN UNDP COMPOUND KANDAHAR:

QUOTE DEAR MR. MINISTER:

AS YOU ARE AWARE THE GEOLOGICAL FIELD WORK FOR THE KANDAHAR CEMENT FACTORY WAS SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLETED BY THE END OF APRIL. THE RESULTING SAMPLES OF CORE AND PERCUSSION DRILLING WERE SPLIT INTO 4 SECTIONS.

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TWOCOMPLETE SETS OF THESE SAMPLES WERE FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF AFGHANISTAN. ONE TO BE KEPT AT PLANTSITE FOR REFERENCE BY THE PLANT PERSONNEL, THE OTHER FOR REFERENCE PURPOSES BY THE DEPT. OF MINES, A THIRD SET FOR FULLER USED IN SPOT CHECKING CHEMICAL ANALYSIS, THE FOURTH SET BEING

SENT OUT OF AFGHANISTAN IN TOTAL FOR CHEMICAL

ANALYSIS.

THE TWO SETS WHICH ARE YOUR GOVERNMENTS PROPERTY AND THE REMNANTS OF THE THIRD SET ARE AT FULLER'S REQUEST PRESENTLY IN THE CUSTODY OF OUR JOINT VENTURE PARTNERS, FISHBACH OMAN AND ARE RESIDENT IN THE UNDP COMPOUND IN KANDAHAR.

AS YOU ARE PERHAPS AWARE OUR PARTNERS ARE BRINGING THEIR CURRENT PRESENCE IN AFGHANISTAN TO AN END AND WILL NOT BE ABLE TO CONTINUE THEIR CUSTODIAL ROLL REGARDING THESE SAMPLES.

AS THE SAMPLES WILL HAVE SIGNIFICANCE AND BENEFIT FOR PLANT OPERATION AND AFGHANISTAN IN THE FUTURE, WE HAVE REQUESTED MR. J. GIVENS TO CONTACT YOUR MINISTRY AND ARRANGE FOR TRANSFERRING ALL SAMPLES TO THE GOVERNMENT OF AFGHANISTAN, INCLUDING THE THIRD SET WHICH IS FOR FULLER'S USE.

IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING THERE MAY ALSO BE A SERIES OF VARIOUS IRON, SILT AND PERHAPS GYPSUM SAMPLE WHICH SHOULD ALSO BE KEPT INTACT BY THE GOVERNMENT FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

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ORDERLY MANNER. IF I MAY, I WOULD RECOMMEND THEY BE KEPT INTACT AND PREFERABLY UNDER LOCK AT THEIR PRESENT LOCATION UNTIL SUCH A TIME AS THEIR UTILIZATION IS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT, PLANT, OR FULLER PERSONNEL ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN THE GEOLOGICAL REVIEW, QUARRYING OR PLANT OPERATION.

WEWISH TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION IN HAVING HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE OF SERVICE TO YOUR MINISTRY AND THE GOVERNMENT OF AFGHANISTAN AND ALSO WISH TO EXPRESS OUR CONTINUING INTEREST IN THE PROGRESS OF THIS PROJECT.

RESPECTFULLY YOURS, FULLER COMPANY

CARL R. GRAF

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